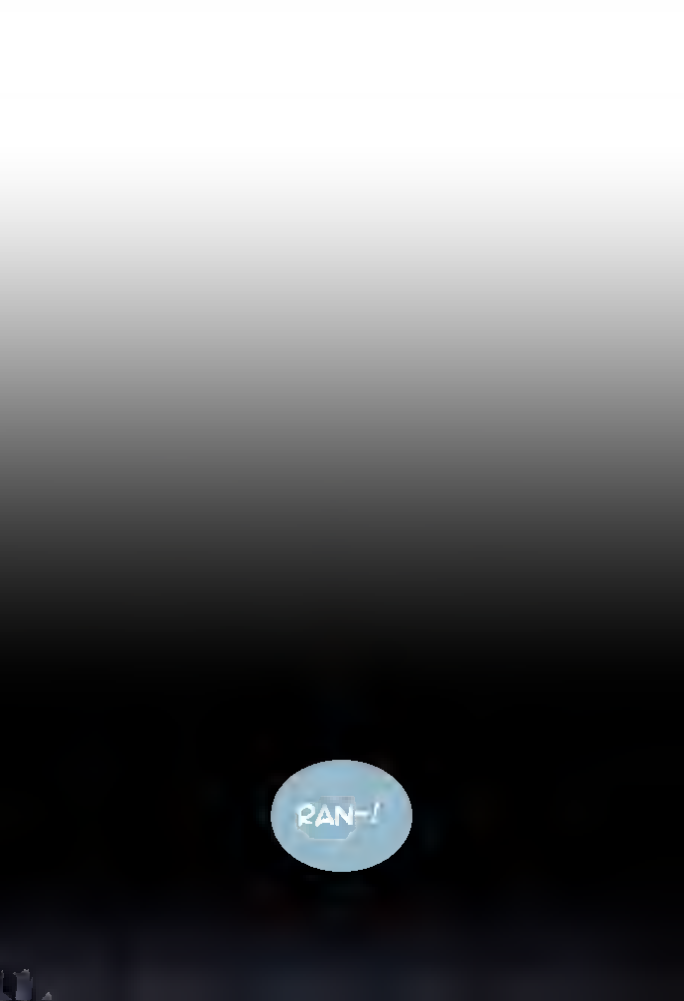

RAN-!

CAN'T YOU REMEMBER?
I REMEMBER

YOU
WE MET YESTERDAY.
I SAW YOU SLEEPING AND WENT OVER TO WAKE YOU UP.

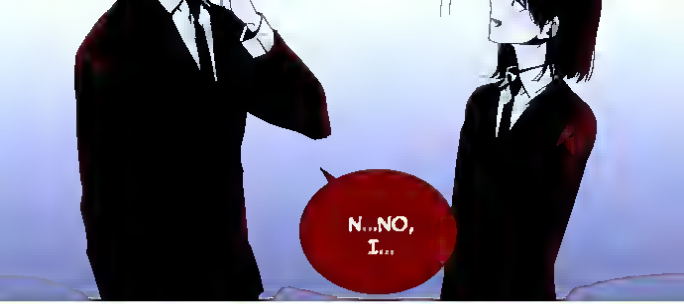
IS THAT THE DREAM YOU DON'T REMEMBER, OR ME?

SENIKA.

TO YOU
AND THIS BOY,
FLICK

I'M SUCH A BAD PERSON.
ABRUPT
DID YOU ARGUE WITH DIRECTOR TEN?

JOLT
N...NO?
WHY?
HE SEEMS TO BE IN A BAD MOOD.
AND FROM HOW YOU REACTED, I CAN TELL THAT DIRECTOR TEN DIDN'T INTEND BRINGING ME HERE.


N...NO,
I...

CAPTAIN SEEMED TO CARE A LOT ABOUT THIS CASE TOO.
I DON'T WANT TO CAUSE ANY TROUBLE TO THE TEAM.

I WILL WORK HARD TO BE HELPFUL!
I LOOK FORWARD TO LEARNING FROM YOU!

THAT MIRACLE OF SYNODIC MONTH

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SURVEILLANCE CAMERA RECORDS SHOWED THAT THERE WAS NO SUSPICIOUS PERSON BUT DEFINITELY SOME SIDE BROKE OUT NEAR

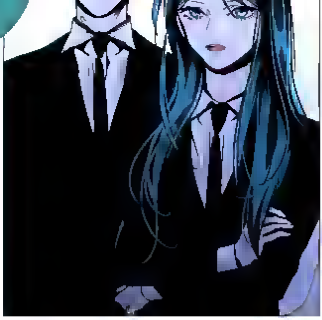
FIRE BROKE OUT NEAR THE SITE.

RYU CONFIRMED IT HIMSELF AT THE SITE, SO IT MUST BE ACCURATE INFORMATION.

THERE WAS NO IGNITABLE SUBSTANCE FOUND

IN THE MANA IN THE AIR,

AND THE MANA ASSOCIATION SAID THERE IS NO INFORMATION AVAILABLE RELATED TO THE TYPE OF MANA FOUND THERE.



INNATE MANA RELATED TO FIRE...

IF THE PERSON

IN THE MANA ASSOCIATION, THAT COULD MEAN THAT HE OR SHE IS A WANTED PERSON
ANOTHER THING IS...
THAT THE CREATOR'S BIRTHDAY IS OCT. 10TH...
?
THE CREATOR'S BIRTHDAY?

DIDN'T KNOW

IT'S DIFFICULT TO IDENTIFY A MOTIVATION BEHIND THE CRIME, SINCE THE SUSPECTS ARE NOT MAKING ANY DEMAND TO THE PARENTS...

IT'S BEEN A WEEK ALREADY IF THIS INVESTIGATION DOESN'T SPEED UP, IT COULD STAY UNSOLVED FOREVER

A SPECULATION CAN'T BE EVIDENCE
IT COULD PROVIDE A HINT, THOUGH.

REASON THAT THE TARGETED KIDS' BIRTHDAYS HAD TO BE OCT. 10TH
WHY THERE HAD TO BE A FIRE.
WHY THE KIDS MUST HAVE NOT ACTIVATED THEIR INNATE MANA.
I REMEMBER A SENTENCE

DIRECTOR YEN SAID IN CLASS BACK IN SCHOOL.
THERE IS NO SUSPECT THAT DOESN'T LEAVE A TRACE THAT IT'S HIM OR HER.

UNLESS THE SUSPECTS ARE

WHY WOULD THEY RISK REVEALING THEIR INNATE MANA AT THE SITE?

WHETHER THERE IS A TEAM OF SUSPECTS OR JUST A SINGLE PERSON,

THERE MUST HAVE BEEN A REASON THAT THERE HAD TO BE A FIRE AT THE SITE, MAYBE RELATED TO SOME INNATE MANA.

OUT OF THE 13 KIDS...
FLICK
THAT ONE IS THE 4TH.
IT DIED.

I WISH THERE IS THE ORIGINAL MANA FOR REPLICATING.
HEATH.

INJECTING AN INNATE MANA IS NEVER AN EASY TASK.

WITH THE 13 CHILDREN YOU BROUGHT HERE WITH "HELLFIRE,"

I WILL MAKE THIS SUCCESSFUL.

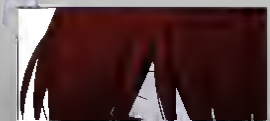
TRUST ME
I WAITED 214 YEARS...
FOR THE MIRACLE OF THAT SYNODIC MONTH
BOOM

BURN IT.

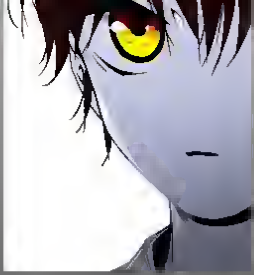
FIRED
LOCKED
IN WATER..
I REMEMBER.

...I'M SURE.

THE PERSON AND MOTIVATION BEHIND WHAT HAPPENED 214 YEARS AGO AND THIS CASE... ARE THE SAME.

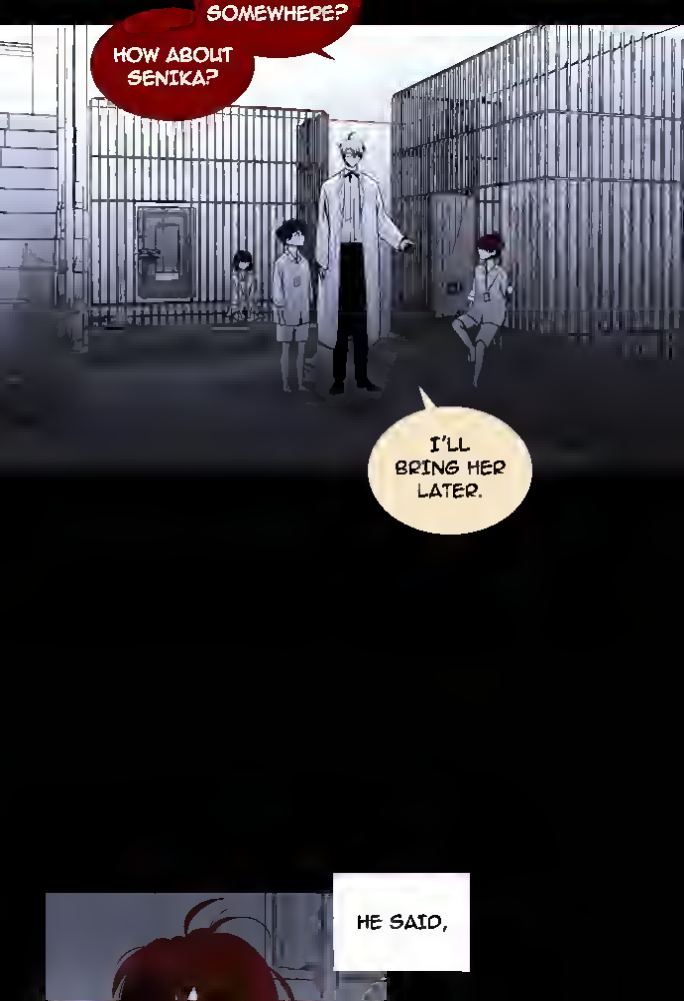


WE CALLED HIM...



"TEACHER."

ARE WE GOING


SOMEWHERE?
HOW ABOUT SENIKA?
I'LL BRING HER LATER.
HE SAID,

IF WE BEHAVE WELL, WE WILL BE ABLE TO GO ANYWHERE AND HAVE ANYTHING WE WANT.

BUT EVERY TIME, SENIKA SAID THIS

PROMISE YOU WILL COME BACK

RAN YOU WAIT HERE.
I'LL COME AND TAKE YOU WHEN THINGS ARE READY.

I WOKE UP IN AN UNKNOWN PLACE AFTER A FIRE ACCIDENT

IF THINGS WERE NORMAL, I MUST HAVE BEEN SCARED, LOOKING FOR MOM

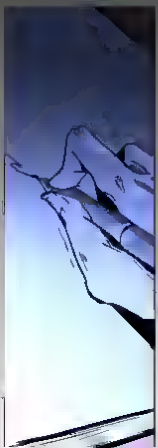
BUT IT WAS DIFFICULT TO REMEMBER MY HOME OR MOM

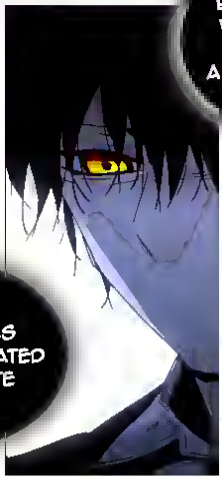
I FELT AS IF MY

EYES, NOSE AND MOUTH WERE ALL SUBMERGED IN A FOG.

THAT GIRL...

AND THE "TEACHER."



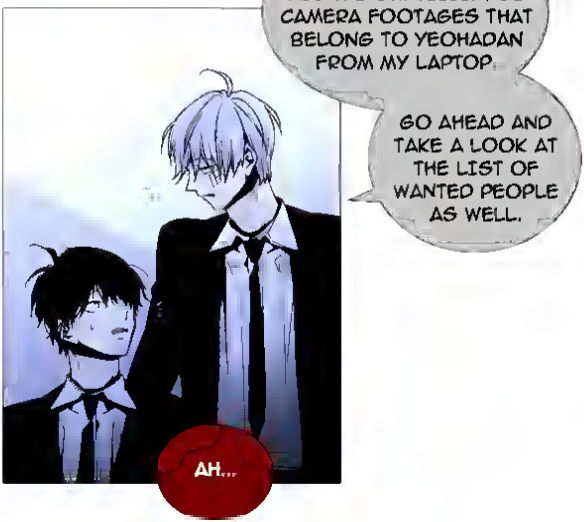


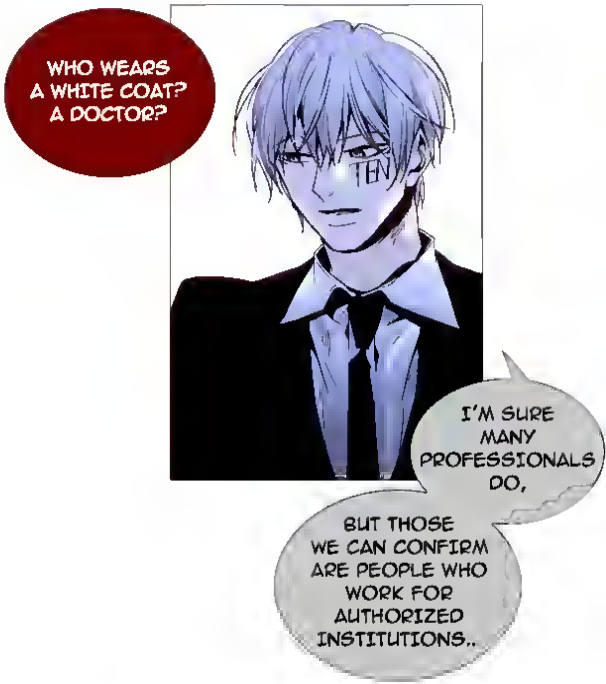
WHETHER THAT WAS A DREAM OR NOT,

I REMEMBER ONE THING CLEARLY.

THAT THE GIRL USED A HELLFIRE.

I CAN'T ASK THE HQ FOR SUPPORT BECAUSE I CAN'T TELL THEM YOUR STORY.
ARE YOU LISTENING?
HUH?


I ASKED FOR AN ACCESS TO ALL THE SURVEILLANCE CAMERA FOOTAGES THAT BELONG TO YEOHADAN FROM MY LAPTOP.
GO AHEAD AND TAKE A LOOK AT THE LIST OF WANTED PEOPLE AS WELL.
AH...


WHO WEARS A WHITE COAT? A DOCTOR?
TEN
I'M SURE MANY PROFESSIONALS DO,
BUT THOSE WE CAN CONFIRM ARE PEOPLE WHO WORK FOR AUTHORIZED INSTITUTIONS..

THAT PERSON,
HE WAS WEARING A WHITE COAT.

DIRECTOR PSYCHI OF THE 6TH LAB HAS A VISITOR RIGHT NOW ..
JUST A SHORT WHILE IS FINE
I'LL CHECK

OKAY.
SOMEONE WANTS ME. I HAVE TO GO.

WHAT SHOULD I DO..?
NORI, YOU MUST PRETEND THAT YOU KNOW NOTHING, NO MATTER WHAT HAPPENS.
CAN'T BELIEVE I HAD TO COME

ALL THE WAY HERE.

I WONDER IF THE MANA ASSOCIATION WILL BE OF ANY HELP

▶▶To be continued...